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Mr. Carl Duckett
Deputy Director, Science and Technology
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Duckett:

On behalf of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, I wish to invite you to witness the second unmanned test flight of the Saturn V launch vehicle.

Designated as Apollo 6, this flight is now scheduled no earlier than 7:00 a.m. EST April 3, 1968 at the John F. Kennedy Space Center, Florida.

The primary objective of this mission is to further qualify the Saturn V for manned flight and the flight test represents another major test of our efforts to land American astronauts on the Moon and return them safely to Earth. This mission also will provide another test of the Apollo command and service modules. The flight plan calls for recovery of the Apollo spacecraft after landing in the Pacific Ocean.

I sincerely hope it will be possible for you to attend. Please advise the NASA Protocol Office of your decision by writing to Code FGE, Washington, D. C. 20546, or by calling area code 202/962-4351.

Should you accept this invitation, it would be a good idea to make your travel and lodging accommodations as soon as possible. There are a number of good motels at Cocoa Beach, but these facilities become very limited during a major launch.

Just prior to the scheduled launch date, a NASA Protocol Office will be established at the Celebrity Room of the Sheraton Cape Colony, Cocoa Beach, where you may obtain information and guest credentials. Transportation will be provided to carry you from Cocoa Beach to and from the viewing site.

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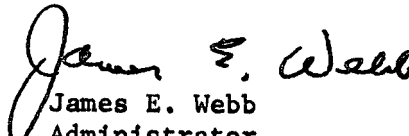
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As is true with every major space flight, there is always the possibility that unforeseen difficulties may change the time or date of the launch. However, the news media makes continuing and updated releases when these changes occur which should be helpful in your planning.

Your credentials will be extended to cover any delay. A tour of the NASA facilities at Cape Kennedy will be provided in any case if there is a delay.

Sincerely yours,


James E. Webb
Administrator